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In response to the Office Action dated June 6, 2002, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the above-captioned application in view of the following comments.

Claims 58, 62, and 73-75 are currently before the Examiner for his consideration. Favorable consideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. §101:

In the Office Action dated June 6, 2002, the Examiner maintains his rejection of claims 58, 62, and 73-75 under 35 U.S.C. § 101 for allegedly lacking utility. Specifically, the Examiner asserts J:\GEN\T124X\Amend-Resp\Resp-to-6June02-OA.doc/DNB/jaj

